

Claim 9, line 4, change "calling party" to --subscriber--.

Claim 10, lines 2, 3, 13, 21-22, 22-23, and 28, change "calling party" to --subscriber--.

Claim 10, line 5, change "the origination station of the calling party" to --subscriber--.

Claim 10, line 7, change "origination station" to --subscriber--.

Claim 10, lines 25 and 28, change "third" to --called--.

Claim 12, line 4, change "calling party" to --subscriber--.

Claim 13, lines 2, 10, and 12, change "calling party" to --subscriber--.

NG Please cancel claims 14 to 17.

Please insert the following new claims:

18. A method for reducing long distance telephone costs between a subscriber to the service provided by a service center and a called party comprising:

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- (a) assigning a subscriber identifier to the subscriber by the service provider;
 - (b) assigning a call-back number for the subscriber at the service center;
 - (c) subscriber calls the service center using the assigned identifier to verify the identity of the subscriber;
 - (d) subscriber terminates the call to the service center;
 - (e) service center calls back the subscriber using the assigned call-back number;
 - (f) subscriber enters the number of the called party to the service center;